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SOVIET COMBAT OPERATION
JABAL OS SARAJ ARMY CAMP SOVIET, AFGHANISTAN

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1. (S/D) SIGNIFICANCE: SOVIET COMBAT SWEEP OPERATION, PROBABLY USING AIRBORNE FORCES, IS UNDERWAY NORTH OF BAGRAM.
2. (S/D) REMARKS: AT LEAST ONE REINFORCED SOVIET PROBABLE AIRBORNE BATTALION IS CONDUCTING A COMBAT SWEEP OPERATION ABOUT 38 AND 12 NM NORTH OF KABUL AND BAGRAM RESPECTIVELY. AT LEAST 16 BMD ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS AND THREE TANKS ARE MANEUVERING 3 TO 5 NM EAST OF JABAL OS SARAJ ARMY CAMP SOVIET (NOT ALL ON GRAPHIC). EVIDENCE OF RECENT FIGHTING, CONSISTING OF AT LEAST 80 SHELL/BOMB CRATERS, ARE DISCERNIBLE THROUGH HEAVY CLOUDS. THIS PROBABLE AIRBORNE UNIT MAY HAVE DEPLOYED FROM BAGRAM AIRFIELD WHERE MAJOR ELEMENTS OF THE AIRBORNE REGIMENT INCLUDING TWO BMD BATTALIONS (70 BMD), ONE TANK COMPANY, AND ELEMENTS OF A 122MM HOWITZER D-30 BATTERY HAVE DEPARTED

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(S/D) MAJOR ELEMENTS OF A MOTORIZED RIFLE REGIMENT WERE GARRISONED AT THE JABAL CAMP AS RECENTLY JABAL WAS CLOUD COVERED TODAY.

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